

## Culpeper Social News

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Culpeper, Va., April 15.—Allie Craig, of Baltimore, was in Culpeper this week to attend the marriage of his brother, Hugh Craig, and Miss Sarah Armstrong on Wednesday.

Miss Anna Sutherland, of Fairfax, and Leith Duncan, of Richmond, are spending the Easter holidays with Mrs. Charles Goldsborough.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Howard and family, of Alexandria, are the guests of Captain Thomas Howard at his home in the country, and will remain there until Easter.

Miss Elizabeth Matthews, a student at Saint Anne's Academy, in Charlottesville, is spending Easter at her home on East Street.

J. Fillison Latham and Miss Jennie Latham left on Monday for a visit to New York.

Miss Caroline Newman, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Robert Matthews, left Monday for Washington, where she will visit friends before returning to her home in Harrisonburg.

Miss Virginia Bailey, of Charlottesville, was the week-end guest of Miss Beatie Mackall.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Brand, of Washington, and Hamilton Newhouse, of Crookston, are spending the Easter holidays with Colonel and Mrs. Newhouse.

Miss Beatie Hoover has returned from a visit of a fortnight to Miss Anna Childress, of Christiansburg.

Miss Helen Williams, of "Redwood," is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Edwin Slaughter, on Main Street. Miss Bruce Williams, who has been at "Redwood" for several weeks, returned to Washington to-day.

Misses Mary and Jennie Jones spent the first of the week in Charlottesville, the guests of the Misses Jane and Sam Jones, who has been at the University Hospital there, returned to Culpeper Tuesday.

Court Donnell, of Abilene, Tex., who has been the guest of his friend, W. R. Piek, at Greenwood, for the past week, left Tuesday for Richmond, where she will tour the West before returning to Texas.

Miss Mollie Thompson Moore, of West Virginia, who is spending the winter in Fauquier, was the week-end guest of Miss George Wager at her home on Main Street.

Mrs. Joe Fant, who has been the guest for several weeks of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fant, left Tuesday to join Mr. Fant at their farm near Berryville, Clarke county.

Miss Frankie Taunt returned home this week after an extended visit to relatives in Washington and Alexandria.

Miss Mattie Ball Buckner, of Rappahannock, who has been spending some time in Culpeper, the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Buckner, and of Miss Lillie Waite on Main Street, returned home this week.

Miss Elizabeth Drewry, a student of the Mary Baldwin Seminary, in Staunton, arrived yesterday to spend Easter vacation with Miss Myrtle Pulliam.

Miss "Primora" Payne left yesterday for an extended trip that will include visits to friends in Danville and Martinsville, and in the Kanawha Valley, West Virginia.

Mrs. Helen Bois Strother spent the week-end with Mrs. Charlie Hoffman at Mitchell.

Mrs. George Burgess, of Alexandria, has been a guest during the week at Richard Latta's.

Mrs. Milton Spindle and Mrs. Leonard Coleman, of Brandy, spent Tuesday with friends in Culpeper.

Misses Jacqueline Ware and Ruby Wine have returned from their respective schools for the Easter holidays, and from there will visit friends in the city.

Miss Beatie Carter entertained at the home of Mrs. Charles Goldsborough. Those playing were Misses Mary Jones, Lulu Sutherland, May Fray, Lelia Friscoy, Della Holton, May Hill, Mary Vase, Byrd Law, Florence Woolfork, Alice Carter, Mrs. Max Samuel, and Mrs. Goldsborough.

Ace shot, was won by Mrs. Samuelson. After the games refreshments, consisting of frozen fruit punch and cakes, were served.

## Wilmington Social News

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Wilmington, N. C., April 15.—From the sombre, though impressive Lenten observance of the week just closing, Wilmington has entered upon a season of merry-making. Into next week will be crowded many big social affairs, including a reception to be given by Mrs. Allan Nichols, the Easter dances of the L'Agile and L'Arroso German Clubs, and three brilliant marriages.

Society is especially a-flutter over the latter. There will, of course, be a number of receptions given in honor of the members of the different bridal parties, and the Easter dances will also be in the honor.

The first wedding of the week will be that of Miss Agnes McQueen, daughter of Henry C. McQueen, and William Parsley Emerson, the event to be celebrated at the First Presbyterian Church at 6 o'clock.

Wednesday afternoon, the marriage of Miss Fanny Kyle Murchison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Williams Murchison, to Mosely Ashley, Curtis, Jr., will take place in St. James Episcopal Church.

Thursday afternoon Miss Ella Jacobs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Jacobs, will wed Thomas Jefferson Moore, this event also being solemnized in St. James.

The big musical spectacular, "The Little Princess," with a cast of 500 youngsters and young women and men, will also be a big feature of next week, holding forth two nights at the Academy of Music.

## Weldon Social News

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Weldon, N. C., April 15.—Mrs. J. B. Zollcofer has returned home from a visit to Greensboro.

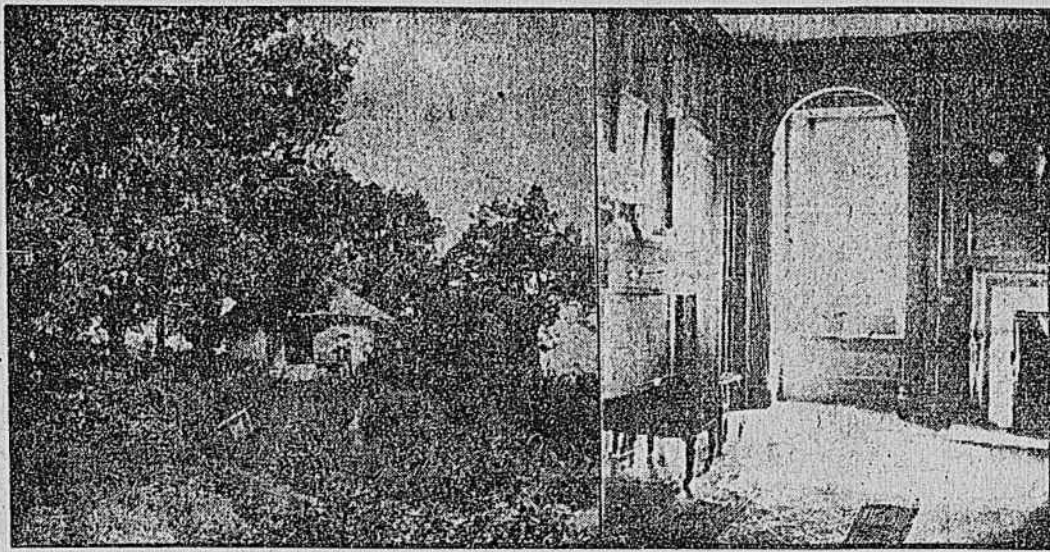
Miss Louise Williams has returned home from Wilson.

Mrs. J. E. Green spent a few days in Richmond this week.

The Junius Daniel Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, met with Miss

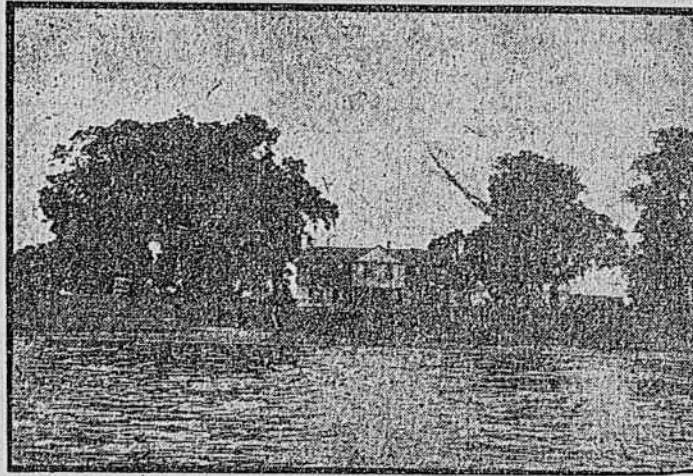
Judge and Mrs. W. E. Fulton.

## Toddsbury, Beautiful Country Home in Gloucester



TODDSBURG ICEHOUSE.

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TODDSBURG.

BY JANE BLACKBURN LEE.

Gloucester, the pearl of the Tidewater counties, has long been noted for its beautiful homes. Nature has been most beneficent in her gifts to Gloucester, in climate, scenery and environment.

The salt air from the rivers, mingling with breezes from the pine woods is most invigorating. The highlands, with their ever green trees, the beautiful rivers which intersect the county with their changing lights and shadows and passing craft, make together a scene of rare loveliness.

These same rivers make Gloucester a unique county, for there are five of them, the Severn and the York. They are really inland bays, except the York, which starts out in that fashion, but meeting the Mattaponi and Pamunkey at West Point, becomes a noble river. From each of these five rivers numerous creeks "make up" into the land and the land in turn "makes out" into the river, forming beautiful points on which have been built fine mansions.

Man's Home His "Castle."

Though neighbors are in full sight, and in these days of telephones and megaphones, can be reached by voice, still in a peculiar sense a man's home on these points in his "castle," almost surrounded by water. The beautifully wooded highlands of Gloucester afford fine building spots. Some of the houses have been of long growth, with such additions of hall, porch and room as the tastes and necessities of succeeding generations have dictated.

The two oldest houses, probably, in Gloucester, each being over 200 years old, are "Belleville," the seat of the Bootches and Tallaferris, and "Toddsbury," of the Todds and Tabbs.

As it Was in Colonial Days.

"Toddsbury" remains as it was in Colonial days. The father of the present owner, W. E. Mott, who bought the place about thirty years ago, came from an ancestral home on Long Island equally as old. "A fellow feeling makes us wondrous kind," and Mr. Mott

was more zealous in simply restoring road to its pristine loveliness this old mansion. The house is L shaped, with a Dutch roof. The rooms are spacious and the wood work beautifully carved. There are many deep windows. The hall, dining room and drawing room are paneled to the ceiling, while topiographical mantelpieces scarcely escape the same eminence, which, however, is not great, as the ceiling is low.

"Toddsbury's" greatest beauty is its grounds filled with large shade trees, extending on three sides to the North River, and on the land side to the beautiful old garden, which is filled with old-fashioned flowers and surrounded by a mass of brick wall.

Still another attraction is the old icehouse, a trying place for lovers, which is built on the avenue leading from the lawn gate to the country

The Old Graveyard.

In the graveyard rests the ashes of many departed Todds and Tabbs, who served their generation well and were ornaments to their country. "Toddsbury" is one of the few old houses in Gloucester which does not boast of a ghost. Possibly the following tradition may account for that:

In bygone days one of the chateaus of "Toddsbury" was a pious Methodist. The master of the same date was much given to fox hunting and card playing. While the latter and his genial friends held sway in the long, low dining room, Mistress Tabbs in the old wainscoted drawing room had prayer meetings, each undisturbed by the other. Possibly the ghost was laid by this religious service, as was one at "Middletown," another old home on North River, but that is another story.

## Gordonsville Social News

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Gordonsville, Va., April 15.—Reginald Shelton, of Richmond, was the guest of Buford Cook this week.

Miss Rae Block has returned from a visit to her sister, Miss Sadie Block in Baltimore.

Eugene Dowell, of Richmond, visited his mother here, several days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Dowell spent several days this week in Baltimore.

Mrs. C. E. Lecky left on Wednesday to spend several days with relatives and friends in Richmond.

Misses Rosa Block and Marcia and Deane Scott, of the Harrisonburg Normal, are spending Easter with their respective parents in the city.

H. G. Shackelford, of Orange, was a Gordonsville visitor this week.

Mrs. J. T. Ware and children spent several days this week with relatives in Orange.

Fred Johnson has moved his family from Lindsay to Gordonsville, occupying the property he recently purchased from J. M. Swan, on Diamond Hill.

Miss Marian Sampson has returned from a visit to friends in Washington.

Mrs. F. C. Miller, of Cobham, was a Gordonsville visitor this week.

Rev. Joseph Baker, of Maryland, was in the city several days this week. He has been tendered a call to Christ Episcopal Church at this place.

Miss Alice Keegan has returned from a visit to her sister in Washington.

## Radford Social News

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Radford, Va., April 15.—The Council Monday night voted an appropriation to continue the High School for the full term of nine months.

Sidney Brown has purchased of H. T. Einstein, sixty-five acres on the other side of the river.

Dr. Fox, professor at Roanoke College, preached in the Lutheran Church here Friday night.

The Music Club will have a recital next Friday night.

Robert McFarland has moved his family from the Terrace to the Tanner cottage, on the ridge across the river.

A. Purdy, of West Virginia, is visiting in Brooklyn.

Mrs. Mary Bryant has gone to Christiansburg.

Mrs. H. C. Grayson and children, of Broadford, have been visiting Mrs. R. V. Cox.

J. H. Grayson, of Elizabethton, Tenn., paid a visit here Sunday.

A. J. Broock is at home in Fredericksburg, for a month's stay.

Mrs. Chester Bullard has been visiting at the country home of Mrs. E. V. Earhart.

Mrs. J. H. Grayson is visiting relatives here.

Miss Bessie Graham has returned from a Lynchburg business college.

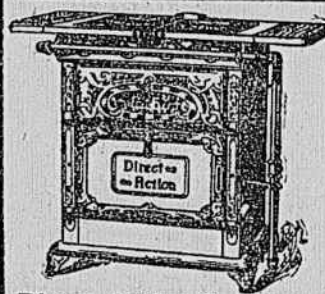
Miss Anna Belknapen is visiting Miss Lillian Belknapen, in Gary, W. Va.

Miss Kathleen Clark is home from

## Low Prices and Liberal Credit

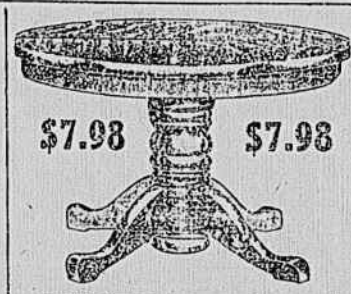
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Virginia College for Easter, and to attend the Easter service at V. P. I.

L. W. Clark has returned from Portsmouth for Easter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Allen have moved to Roanoke.

Miss Mary Akers spent the week-end with Mrs. H. C. Earles, in Christiansburg.

Grace Episcopal Church congregation will meet Monday to elect a vestry.

The calico party at Mrs. R. O. Scott's was largely attended and greatly enjoyed with games, music and refreshments. There was a liberal silver offering for the Presbyterian Aid Society.

The T. S. C. Club gave an Easter party Saturday night in honor of Miss Marie Schmitt, of New York.

## Onancock Social News

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Onancock, Va., April 15.—Mrs. G. W. King, Misses Bertha and Mollie King, Nettie V. Warren and Madeline King, of Norfolk, and Ralph V. Rich, of Salisbury, Md., are guests of Mrs. Newell B. Rich.

Miss Catherine Stuart, of Alexandria, president of the National Audubon Society, of Washington, gave a most interesting and instructive talk on conservation at the High School Monday afternoon. While in Onancock, she was a guest at the home of T. W. Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard T. Lilliston have returned from their wedding trip, and are at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter D. Lewis.

Mrs. John W. Duncan and Miss Marie

C. Duncan returned from Milford, Del., Monday, where they were called by the illness of T. B. Topping. They report his condition still serious.

The choir of Holy Trinity Church prepared a very attractive musical program for the Palm Sunday service.

Robert L. Shield and Miss Elizabeth B. Powell were the week-end guests of Mrs. Leonard T. Mears, of Keller.

A number of young people went to the home of Harry W. Curtis for an oyster roast Friday night.

Miss Margaret C. West entertained Tuesday evening in honor of the out of town guests who attended the King-ford wedding.

Elegant refreshments were served. The favors were pen and ink sketches of a bride's heart.

Mrs. W. T. Wise left Wednesday for Lynchburg, where she will meet her daughter, Miss Dorothy E. Wise, of Hollins Institute. They will spend the Easter season with Mrs. John Paul Jones, of that city.

Robert S. and Spencer D. Hopkins, of St. John's College, Annapolis, and James S. Doughty, of Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, are home for the Easter holidays.

Invitations have been received here to the marriage of Miss Julia James Wilkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Houston Wilkins and Edward William Nottingham, Wednesday afternoon, April 19, at Hungars Episcopal Church, Bridgetown.

Mrs. George S. Walker is in Lynchburg, the guest of Misses Marie W. Bull and Evelyn M. Walker, students of the Woman's College.

Mrs. Edward J. Goffigon, of Cape

Charles, is with her mother, at "The Cove."

Miss Pansy Powell Wilkins after a pleasant stay of several weeks at Georgetown, Del., has returned home.

Miss Annie H. Peters, of Salisbury, Md., is with friends here for the Easter season.

## Emory College Social News

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Emory, Va., April 15.—The board of education of Holston Conference convened here Wednesday and Thursday.

The board considered the different phases of education and particularly the question of perfecting the titles of the various school properties belonging to this conference, and the financial problems of the college. The board is composed of I. P. Martin, of Knoxville; S. D. Long, of Abingdon; E. K. Sutherland, of Marion; N. M. Watson, of Norton; Eugene Blake, of Halloway College; J. L. Mullins, of Harrison; W. S. Neighbors, of Bristol; E. E. Wiley, of Tazewell; H. M. Winslow, of Harrison; and Charles C. Weaver, of Emory. J. B. Ward and T. J. Eskridge, both of Abingdon, attended the conference.

Rev. John Marrow, of Gate City, who was formerly a student here, was in Emory Tuesday. Mr. Marrow is pastor of the Methodist Church of Gate City.

Rev. James Weaver, of the North Carolina Conference, is visiting his son, Dr. Charles C. Weaver.

Miss Mittle Wysser, of Dublin, is visiting at the home of Dr. J. S. Miller.

## You Never Can Tell — by Ella Wheeler Wilcox



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YOU never can tell when you send a word,  
Like an arrow shot from a bow  
By an archer blind, be it cruel or kind,  
Just where it may chance to go.  
It may pierce the breast of your dearest friend,  
Tipped with its poison or balm;  
To a stranger's heart in life's great mart,  
It may carry its pain or its calm.

You never can tell when you do an act  
Just what the result will be;  
But with every deed you are sowing a seed,  
Though the harvest you may not see.  
Each kindly act is an acorn dropped  
In God's productive soil.  
You may not know, but the tree shall grow,  
With shelter for those who toil.

You never can tell what your thoughts will do  
In bringing you hate or love,  
For thoughts are things, and their airy wings  
Are swifter than carrier dove.  
They follow the law of the universe—  
Each thing must create its kind,  
And they speed o'er the track to bring you back  
Whatever went out from your mind.